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FOR SECRETARY AND TODMAN FROM LUERS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS), PGOV, BR, US, ETRD

SUBJECT: BRAZIL: CONTINGENCY REPLIES TO SILVEIRA'S
REMARKS TO PRESS

1. FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS PROVIDE BACKGROUND INFORMATION/
COMMENTS YOU REQUESTED ON VARIOUS POINTS REPORTEDLY MADE
BY SILVEIRA TO PRESS IN RIO ON JUNE 11.

2. REFERENCE TO CHARGES OF CIA AUTHORSHIP OR OTHER INVOLVE-
MENT IN "OPEN LETTER" TO MRS. CARTER FROM BRAZILIAN STU-
DENTS: THERE WAS NO REPEAT NO CIA INVOLVEMENT IN THIS
INCIDENT. EMBASSY BRASILIA HAS ALREADY DENIED ANY CIA
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CONNECTION; WE DO NOT PLAN TO MAKE ANY VOLUNTEERED STATE-
MENT BUT WILL MAKE CATEGORICAL DENIALS IF ISSUE IS RAISED.
(BACKGROUND: LETTER NOTED MRS. CARTER'S INTEREST IN
HUMAN RIGHTS, CALLED HER ATTENTION TO CURRENT STUDENT
DEMONSTRATIONS IN BRAZIL AND EFFORTS BY UNIVERSITY AND
SECURITY AUTHORITIES TO SUPPRESS THESE ACTIVITIES; IT
SAID SUCH EFFORTS WERE SYMPTOMATIC OF CLIMATE OF OPPRES-

SION IN BRAZIL AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT PRESIDENT CARTER'S POLICY TOWARD BRAZIL WOULD BE GUIDED BY SUPPORT OF HUMAN RIGHTS. LETTER WAS HANDED TO ASSISTANT SECRETARY TODMAN BY UNIDENTIFIED INDIVIDUAL AS MRS. CARTER AND PARTY VISITED U.S. EMBASSY BRASILIA ON JUNE 6. PORTUGUESE

TRANSLATIONS WERE APPARENTLY PROVIDED TO PRESS. THEORIES LATER APPEARED IN PRESS TO EFFECT THAT COMMAND OF ENGLISH APPARENT IN THE ORIGINAL INDICATED THAT IT WAS WRITTEN BY NATIVE SPEAKER, WITH SPECULATION CIA HAD ORIGINATED IT.)

3. STATEMENT THAT 36 OF BRAZILIAN EXPORTS "RUN THE RISK OF BEING AFFECTED BY UNILATERAL U.S. MEASURES": SILVEIRA'S REFERENCE IS NOT ENTIRELY CLEAR, BUT WOULD SEEM TO REFER TO THE APPROXIMATE 1/3 OF BRAZILIAN EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES WHICH ARE MANUFACTURED OR SEMI-MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS. THESE ARE VULNERABLE TO U.S. INDUSTRIES' REQUESTS FOR COUNTERVAILING DUTIES AND "ESCAPE CLAUSE" ACTION TO OFFSET BRAZILIA SUBSIDIES ON SUCH PRODUCTS OR TO PROTECT DOMESTIC PRODUCERS FROM INJURY FROM IMPORTS, RESPECTIVELY. THERE ARE NO IMMINENT NEW CASES IN THIS AREA, BUT OUR TRADE ACT RESTRICTIONS ARE SUBJECT OF LONGSTANDING BRAZILIAN RESENTMENT. ADDED BACKGROUND AND TALKING POINTS ON TRADE ISSUES ARE BEING SENT SEPTTEL TO ADD TO COUNTRY PAPER FOR YOUR BILATERAL WITH SILVEIRA.

4. COMPLAINT RE: ALLEGED SELECTIVE USG "RELEASE" OF PORTIONS OF JUNE 1 NOTE TO FOREIGN MINISTRY ON ARREST OF CONFIDENTIAL

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MISSIONARIES: AS REPORTED BRASILIA 4828 (BEING REPEATED TO PARTY) TEXT OF NOTE HAS NOT REPEAT NOT BEEN RELEASED. IN ACCORD WITH DEPARTMENT GUIDANCE, EMBASSY PRESS SPOKESMAN HAS CHARACTERIZED NOTE AS "AN EXPRESSION OF THE DEEP CONCERN OF THE USG IN THE CASE AND THE HOPE THAT THE INVESTIGATIONS ALREADY UNDERWAY WILL LEAD TO A SATISFACTORY CONCLUSION." SILVEIRA IS CORRECT IN SAYING NOTE ALSO CONTAINED EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION FOR PROMPT ACTION OF FEDERAL AND STATE AUTHORITIES TO INITIATE SUCH INVESTIGATIONS.

5. PUERTO RICO NATIONAL DAY DISTURBANCES IN CHICAGO: COPIES OF JUNE 6 AND 7 NEW YORK TIMES COVERAGE WERE PROVIDED TO HODDING CARTER PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FROM WASHINGTON. (SUMMARY WILL BE SENT TO EMBASSY BRASILIA SEPTTEL.) CHRISTOPHER

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